

Law Enforcement Division
Bi-Weekly Field Report
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DISTRICT 1

COs Ryan Aho, Trey Luce, Dennis Gast, David Miller and Doug Hermanson participated in a patrol on Lake Gogebic. There were multiple verbal warnings issued for operating an ORV with an expired ORV license. An illegal ice shanty was also seized that displayed neither a name nor address and had been on the lake for several months, and past the March 31st deadline for removal. A large number of anglers were contacted and overall angler regulation compliance was good.

CO Elton Luce received a complaint of deer carcasses and boxes dumped on public land. CO Luce was able to recover a deer tag that identified the subject. A confession for dumping the deer carcasses and boxes was obtained and enforcement action was taken.

CO Doug Hermanson provided illegal license purchase information to CO Elton Luce, who contacted a subject who purchased more deer licenses than allowed. The subject stated that he bought an extra deer kill tag for his nephew. A ticket for purchasing too many deer hunting licenses was issued.

COs Mark Leadman and Elton Luce were conducting a surveillance patrol on a Gwinn area lake. While conducting the patrol two subjects made contact with the covert COs, asking to borrowing an auger and bait. Both subjects were observed fishing. One of the subjects did not have a license. A ticket for fishing without a license was issued.

CO Dave Miller contacted an angler who had a permanent shanty with no name or address and failed to remove his fishing shanty prior to March 31st. Enforcement action was taken.

DISTRICT 2

CO Mike Hammill was conducting a routine inspection of a local taxidermy business when he observed a nice 11 point whitetail rack. From evidence found by the CO it appeared the deer may have been taken illegally. After a series of interviews a full confession was obtained from the shooter. The subject explained that he used his last kill tag during rifle season and wanted to hunt the muzzleloader season and did so without a license. He used his aunt's kill tag on the illegally taken 11 point. The rack was seized and an arrest warrant is being sought along with \$1000 restitution for the deer.

CO Mike Hammill was on patrol when he observed a vehicle pull onto the shoulder of the road. When the CO stopped to render assistance to the motorist he learned the subject was driving on a suspended license and had two outstanding warrants for his arrest. Further investigation revealed that this was the seventh arrest for driving on a

suspended license and that the man was in possession of marijuana. The subject was lodged in the Mackinac County Jail.

CO Kyle Publiski responded to a complaint that dogs were chasing and killing deer. This has been an ongoing complaint over the years, but on this day the dogs did catch and rip apart a deer. Contact was made with the dog owner who boldly claimed that it wasn't his dogs; that his dogs never leave the yard. The next day the CO set up surveillance on the area and it didn't take long for him to witness the out-of-control dogs running at large and chasing deer. Contact was made with the owner as his dogs were running about. Without any excuse, the subject had no complaint as he received a ticket for dogs running at large.

CO Mike Evink assisted local authorities with a personal injury accident on US-2 during a recent snowstorm. The driver of a minivan was extricated from his vehicle after colliding with a semi-truck. CO Evink also assisted the Michigan State Police (MSP) with closing down US-2 following the accident.

DISTRICT 3

CO Steve Speigl received a complaint of someone who was in possession of an unsealed bobcat in Antrim County. After a short interview, CO Speigl learned the bobcat was killed by a car and the people picked it up. CO Speigl educated the individuals about the laws regarding the possession of wild game.

CO Mark DePew worked a trespass complaint this spring where someone had been trapping beaver without permission of the landowner. After checking the area numerous times, CO DePew was able to make contact with two trappers and ticketed the pair for recreational trespass.

CO Bill Webster stopped an ORV which was being operated carelessly weaving in and out of traffic. The driver was stopped and CO Webster learned he was underage and did not have permission to leave his yard with the machine. A short time later CO Webster contacted the driver's father who was looking for his son and addressed the violation of the youth operating without supervision.

CO Matt Theunick responded to a complaint regarding an unchecked trap. Contact with the trapper resulted in a ticket being issued for failure to check traps in a 24 hour period.

DISTRICT 4

CO Steve Converse assisted local law enforcement agencies on a B&E investigation. CO Converse was able to locate and follow bicycle tracks leaving the house to a residence about three miles away. The subjects were interviewed and it was ascertained that they had committed the crime while in possession of a firearm.

CO Steve Converse contacted a subject with an undersized Rainbow trout. The subject's record showed 10 prior DNR violations and a valid arrest warrant. The subject was ticketed for the fish violation and lodged in the Missaukee County Jail.

While on patrol, CO Sam Koscinski observed a vehicle and empty boat trailer parked in a remote location on the Manistee River. CO Koscinski recalled a similar rig parked around the same time of year the past several years. This year CO Koscinski, along with CO Steve Converse, launched their jet boat and contacted a river boat containing three subjects. The boat's owner turned out to be a river guide with two clients on board. None of the passengers or the river guide had a valid fishing license. The river guide also had marijuana on board which he admitted to using. The river guide had an expired medical marijuana card. The guide also was unable to produce the required Inland Pilot's License. Enforcement action was initiated against the river guide and tickets were issued to the clients for fishing without a license.

CO Sam Koscinski observed a subject who was fishing at Tippy Dam bag up a fish and walk back up to his vehicle. CO Koscinski contacted the subject at his vehicle and pulled an out-of-season walleye from the bag. A ticket was issued for illegal take during the closed season.

CO Sean Kehoe, along with local deputies, responded to a complaint of shots fired. Upon arrival at the residence, CO Kehoe and deputies observed what they were led to believe was the suspect standing in the road in front of the residence. While the CO and the deputies were attempting to secure this person, the actual subject exited the residence with a rifle and began firing toward the officers. Another deputy following behind the group returned fire toward the suspect as CO Kehoe, the deputies and the first subject they were attempting to secure found cover behind CO Kehoe's patrol truck. The subject retreated to his residence and surrendered several minutes later and was taken into custody. No rounds struck CO Kehoe's patrol truck but several rounds struck a residence across the street. Fortunately none of the officers or residents were injured. The suspect was lodged and will be charged with several felonies.

CO Brian Brosky was first on the scene after receiving a complaint of a trespass in progress with a weapon involved. Upon arrival, CO Brosky located two subjects arguing in the driveway and was able to determine that the trespasser had shot at a Turkey Vulture on the neighbor's property. The landowner was in the field trimming brush and was in line with the vulture at the time of the shooting. A heated argument between the neighbors resulted in threats being made and an assault. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Jeff Ginn contacted two subjects one evening coming to shore in their boat. CO Ginn had observed the two men fishing below the Croton Dam. Upon checking fishing licenses, it was determined that one of the subjects did not have a valid fishing license. CO Ginn also detected a strong odor of marijuana coming from the vessel. CO Ginn received admissions from the second subject that he had been smoking and had a

small amount of marijuana in his fishing gear. The subject was later found to have two valid warrants for his arrest. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Jeff Ginn was requested by the United States Forest Service (USFS) to assist on a large and quickly spreading grass/woods fire. Upon arrival, it was determined that the fire started because someone had emptied ash from his wood stove near the back of his property. The coals and ash quickly caught the dry field grass on fire which soon spread to a nearby pine forest. Enforcement action was taken on the responsible party.

CO Jeff Ginn responded to assist local fire crews on a grass fire. It was determined that someone left a burn barrel unattended. The person responsible for the fire noticed that the fire had jumped the barrel and caught the yard on fire. Due to the very dry conditions, the fire quickly spread to a nearby field. After the fire was extinguished, enforcement action was taken on the responsible party.

CO Jeff Ginn was checking anglers and boats coming to shore at a DNR Access Site along the Muskegon River when the CO contacted a commercial fishing guide and his clients. CO Ginn checked the anglers and the commercial vessel. CO Ginn observed that the guide had decided to display his 2013 fishing license in the location where his 2013 Land Use Permit should have been, as they look identical from a distance. This Land Use Permit is required to use State Lands for commercial purposes. It was determined that the guide did not possess a valid 2013 Land Use Permit and was in violation by operating from the public access site. The river guide was instructed to not use State Lands until he purchased a valid permit. A few days later CO Ginn checked the access site and found the same charter operating from the access site and was still in violation. CO Ginn launched his patrol boat and located the guide fishing upriver with clients. CO Ginn determined that the guide was again operating without a permit so the CO had the charter pull lines and return to the launch where he was ticketed for the violation and advised he was not allowed to operate a commercial business from State Land without a valid 2013 Land Use Permit.

CO Troy Mueller was working closed trout streams in Lake County when he located a father and son fishing a closed stream. CO Mueller determined that the novice anglers did not realize the stream was closed and that no fish were taken. CO Mueller decided to issue verbal warnings and provided directions to the out-of-town anglers to legal fishing waters.

CO Mike Wells received a complaint of a hawk caught in a foot hold trap set next to a deer carcass. CO Wells was able to locate the trap and release the hawk. The CO was able to obtain an address of the subject and determined that he was also unlicensed to trap. CO Wells contacted the subject at his residence while he was in the process of skinning a fox taken during the closed season. The subject admitted to not checking his traps for nearly a week. CO Wells advised the subject of several violations, including trapping without a license, trapping during the closed season, failure to check foot hold traps within 24 hours and possession of a fox during the closed season. Enforcement action was taken on several of the violations.

COs Jeff Ginn, Brian Lebel, Troy VanGelderren and Sgt. Mike Bomay were first to respond to a 911 call of shots fired, including at least one person being shot and a possible barricaded gunman. COs Ginn and VanGelderren took positions on foot around the perimeter of the suspect residence while CO Lebel and Sgt. Bomay blocked the roadway until an incident command post could be set up. As additional police units responded to the scene, it was determined that there were two fatally shot family members outside the residence and that the suspect was believed to still be alive and possibly on foot. COs Angie Greenway and Mike Wells responded and assisted for several hours. Later in the evening it was determined that the suspect had committed suicide and his body was located within the residence.

DISTRICT 5

While on patrol, COs Matt Liestenfeltz and Mike Hearn attempted to stop two snowmobile operators for trail permit violations. The operators fled and a pursuit was initiated. One of the operators drove through a fence causing extensive damage to private property while attempting to evade the COs. Officers Liestenfeltz and Hearn were able to apprehend the operators and determined that the subjects were currently on probation. Numerous violations included fleeing and eluding, operating with suspended licenses, altering registrations, failure to transfer registrations, and expired trail permits. The two subjects were taken into custody and lodged in the county jail.

CO Jason McCullough followed up on a complaint of possible bobcat trapping violations. After interviews, enforcement action was taken for failing to immediately tag a bobcat.

After nearly a dozen interviews, CO Jason McCullough was able to track down the individuals responsible for an illegal dumping complaint in Clare County. The subjects had been paid to clear out the house of an area resident who was moving to a new house. Enforcement action was taken.

While conducting a taxidermy inspection, CO Steve Lockwood came across evidence of an untagged deer. After interviewing the subject a confession was obtained for failing to immediately tag a deer. Enforcement action is pending.

CO Warren MacNeill responded to a complaint of a resident who had taken a wild raccoon into captivity without a permit. The raccoon had been in captivity for over four years. Enforcement action was taken.

COs Brian Olsen and Nick Atkin were working fish activity after dark. The COs watched as a group of anglers worked a dip net with flashlights. The group later claimed to be catching only suckers. After a search of the surrounding area, a walleye was found hidden along the river bank. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Brian Olsen followed fresh tire tracks that led off the main trail on state land to a subject who was illegally cutting standing timber. In addition, the individual was not in possession of a fuelwood permit, and had been ticketed for the same offense in the past. Enforcement action was taken.

DISTRICT 6

CO Phil Hudson responded to a Report-all-Poaching (RAP) complaint of subjects keeping walleye out of season. The CO received a very detailed description of the subjects and vehicle from the concerned sportsman. CO Hudson located the subjects and during a search of the vehicle found a large female walleye hidden in the spare tire compartment. Four subjects were involved in the incident and two of them were lodged in the county jail for keeping walleye out of season, fishing without a license and other DNR related warrants.

CO Nick Atkin conducted surveillance on several anglers during the inland walleye closure and witnessed one of them hide something in the woods. The CO continued his surveillance and witnessed the angler continue this activity several more times. CO Atkin contacted the angler and conducted a search of the wooded area where he located numerous illegal walleye. The angler then confessed to hiding the walleye in the woods. CO Atkin also located two additional walleye hidden in the angler's work bibs and coat. Enforcement action was taken.

COs Jason Smith and Seth Rhodea were patrolling in Huron County when they observed two subjects spearing fish from a local bridge. After witnessing them remove fish from their spears, the COs contacted them. Both denied having fish. The COs checked the tool box in the bed of one of the trucks which revealed three speared Northern Pike. Both anglers were ticketed for illegally taking the Northern Pike out of season.

COs Jason A. Smith and Seth Rhodea were working on foot along a Huron County creek and located a dead walleye that was speared and left behind by a group of young anglers. A short time later the anglers returned to their truck, got their buckets, and began gathering their fish. CO Rhodea was approximately 10 feet from the anglers as they picked up the walleye. Contact was made and enforcement action was taken.

CO Jason A. Smith was working along a Tuscola County creek when he came across a group of guys spearing walleye and suckers. The anglers were putting the walleye in a bag and leaving most of the suckers behind. CO Smith contacted them as they came out from the creek and seized the bag containing four illegal walleye. Tickets were issued for the illegal walleye, fishing without licenses, and littering.

CO Jason A. Smith was working along a Tuscola County creek and observed a group of anglers spear approximately 30 suckers and leave all of the fish in and along the creek. Contact was made as the anglers were in their trucks ready to leave the area; and tickets were issued for littering.

COs Jason A. Smith and Robert Hobkirk were watching a group of anglers along a Huron County creek when one of the subjects decided to spear a walleye. When the subject left the creek, contact was made by CO Smith before he was turned over to CO Hobkirk as surveillance continued on the other anglers along the creek. A ticket was issued for spearing walleye.

CO Chad Foerster worked the fishing closure along the Kawkawlin River in Bay County for the walleye spawning season. Numerous anglers were fishing in the closed section of the river. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Quincy Gowenlock learned that a subject he had arrested for driving under the influence had recently violated his probation by testing positive for alcohol consumption and failing to return testing equipment to the county. Officer Gowenlock tried several times to contact the man at his residence but no one would come to the door. CO Gowenlock eventually waited for the subject down the street and observed him return to his residence from the liquor store. Officer Gowenlock took the man into custody on his warrants.

While patrolling the Chippewa River, CO Jeremy Payne contacted two subjects near their car who claimed to be "checking the river for steelhead." CO Payne immediately smelled the odor of burnt marijuana. CO Payne located a small amount of marijuana and drug paraphernalia. One of the subjects also indicated that he had an additional small amount of marijuana at his house. CO Payne seized the additional marijuana at his house and released the subjects. CO Payne returned to the river where he contacted the two subjects and followed their footprints. While following the footprints CO Payne discovered four small pine trees that were recently pulled out of the ground, the trees were seized as additional evidence. CO Payne returned to the subjects' house and gained a confession for attempting to steal the pine trees. CO Payne is seeking warrants through the Isabella County Prosecutors Offices for all charges.

DISTRICT 7

CO Gary Raak reported following two "mudder" style trucks that matched the description from a previous complaint he had received while on his day off. As the vehicles continued to head south toward the Barry State Game Area (SGA), he was able to quickly go to his residence and retrieve his issued dirt bike and make it out to the recently damaged wetland, for which he had received complaints matching the vehicle's descriptions. Approximately 15 minutes later, the two vehicles he had been following arrived and went off road to damage the wetland. Enforcement action was taken.

While conducting illegal ORV activity surveillance in the Barry SGA, CO Chris Holmes and Sgt. Jeff Rabbers heard the sound of a bottle hit a tree late at night as a vehicle sped quickly down a state land trail. When contact was made a confession was obtained for the littering along with open intoxicants in the vehicle, and an underage subject who had been drinking. Enforcement action was taken.

COs Jeff Robinette and Steve Mooney conducted illegal ORV surveillance in the Allegan SGA along Swan Creek, where numerous complaints had been received for the illegal destruction of a hillside and parking area. One subject was observed causing more damage to the area and was arrested for the violation.

CO Steve Mooney was checking a closed stream in the City of Bangor when he observed a subject fishing on the closed trout stream. As soon as the subject saw CO Mooney approaching, he threw his fishing pole in the river. CO Mooney had contacted the subject on prior occasions and had the subject retrieve his pole from the river. The subject didn't have a fishing license and was fishing on a closed stream. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Steve Mooney was patrolling closed trout streams in Van Buren County when he stopped at a location of frequent illegal fishing. CO Mooney did not observe any vehicles parked at the location, but when he exited his patrol vehicle, he observed a subject laying down and hiding next to the stream. Further investigation led to a second subject, a spear, a net and an illegally taken steelhead. Both subjects were ticketed for taking the steelhead.

While conducting illegal ORV activity surveillance in the Allegan SGA, COs Mike Mshar and Patrick McManus contacted two subjects who ran a stop sign and were intoxicated. The subjects were lodged at the county jail and the vehicle was removed from state land.

COs Patrick McManus and Mike Mshar contacted a group having a campfire in the Allegan SGA, using tires as a fuel source. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Cary Foster was on patrol in Ionia County when he located two subjects attempting to take steelhead from Bellamy Creek, a closed trout stream. After observing their activity for some time, he was able to apprehend and ticket each angler for fishing in a closed stream. He also issued warnings to each for trespassing and possession of a long handled net along the stream.

CO Greg Patten located three subjects with trucks along a power line, tearing up a wetland area after recent heavy rains. Each operator was ticketed for operation in a wetland area and trespassing along a utility right of way.

CO BJ Goulette patrolled the Bass River Recreation Area, and contacted two local dirt bike operators who had illegally entered the recreation area. Each operator was ticketed for operating their machines illegally within the area and was directed home.

CO Steve Orange worked on a complaint of fish snagging at the Sixth Street Dam in Grand Rapids. After a period of surveillance CO Orange contacted one subject who appeared to be "lining" fish against the dam wall. While proof of the foul hooked fish

was difficult, his possession of four steelhead, one over the limit, could not be explained. CO Orange took enforcement action against this angler.

CO Steve Orange responded to a 911 call of a subject stealing gravel from a road commission site within the Rouge River SGA. Arriving within minutes he detained the subjects until local deputies arrived. A responding deputy advised CO Orange that he noticed a subject cutting wood on state land just down the road prior to his arrival. CO Orange travelled to the scene and found a wood cutter with nearly a pick-up load of illegally taken firewood. While CO Orange was completing a ticket for the illegal cutting, Sgt. Jurcich arrived at the scene and began to question the subject. As the wood cutter lived very close to the scene, a quick check of the house revealed more than a full cord of wood had already been cut and returned home and after some questioning, a second illegal cutting location was identified along with a littering violation. Enforcement action was taken with wood donated to a local camp and restitution being sought for the illegal cutting within the game area.

CO Andy Bauer and Sgt. Zach Doss finished a nine month investigation into unlicensed charter boat operators from Indiana that failed to obtain Michigan licensing. Eight operators have been charged with 28 counts of operating unlicensed charter boats in Michigan waters in 2012.

CO Andy Bauer responded to a complaint of employees of a landscaping company that had destroyed nine Canada goose nests, including the eggs. CO Bauer was assisted by local police officers in making contact with the subjects and witnesses. The company owner was contacted and interviewed, and the two employees who destroyed the nests were ticketed.

DISTRICT 8

CO Rich Nickols, while patrolling property in Shiawassee County, discovered two small 4X4s that had become stuck in a field on the property. At the same time, a large "mudder" truck arrived to pull out the other trucks. One truck was able to be pulled out from the road but a wrecker was called to pull out the other truck to prevent further damage to the property. An ORV trespass ticket was issued and the property owner will be contacted to possibly arrange for repairs to the property.

CO Daniel Prince received a private property littering complaint from the RAP line. The complainant saw two subjects drive by in a pickup truck and dump a trash bag full of animal parts on their neighbor's property. The complainant was able to get the vehicle's license plate number and called the RAP hotline. CO Prince was able to locate the trash bag and found seven rabbits and one skinned raccoon carcass. CO Prince also located the vehicle owner, who admitted to dumping the animals on the property when his garage freezer quit working. The property owner asked for prosecution and enforcement action was taken.

CO Daniel Prince, while on patrol, was called to assist local deputies with a felonious assault involving a teenager and his parents. The teen threatened his mother with a machete and refused to give it up until police ordered him to surrender. The teen gave up without incident.

CO Daniel Bigger responded to a complaint of a deer carcass discovered in the north end of the county, and when located, found a tag still attached to the decaying deer. A check of the license revealed the name of the purchaser and contact was made. The subject admitted to dumping the deer carcass, and further investigation found that this was not the first time this subject had been contacted for dumping. The subject was interviewed further and admitted he had not actually shot the deer but did use his tag. The subject was advised that along with the dumping and tagging a deer he did not legally kill, not validating the kill tag was also an issue. The subject admitted he knew better and provided CO Bigger with the name of the subject who had actually shot the deer. The subject who shot the deer lived in the neighboring county and CO Bigger was able to make contact after several attempts. After a short interview and the subject caught completely by surprise, a confession of shooting the deer was obtained along with allowing his friend to tag it. Warrants are being sought on the subjects in the two respective counties for an illegal deer, dumping, and other charges related to the investigation.

CO Pete Purdy assisted local township police officers in locating a subject who attempted suicide along the Huron River. A shaken up angler called 911 after discovering the subject. The angler gave vague information as to where he was located and CO Purdy advised from the description two possible locations in Island Lake Recreation Area. The subject was located and transported to the hospital with severe burns. It is believed the subject poured gasoline onto her head and lit it on fire with a lighter. She then jumped into the river to extinguish the fire. A suicide note was found in her vehicle.

CO Todd Thorn swore to a two count warrant against a man who had been caught field dressing a large eight point buck on the opening day of firearm deer season last November. The man had not purchased any deer kill tags and had shot the deer about an hour before CO Thorn spotted him on his brother-in-law's property.

CO Todd Thorn swore to a warrant approved out of Eaton County against a man who had admitted to COs Thorn and Al Mendez to shooting a deer on his property and then purchasing a license. The case resulted from a taxidermy inspection performed by COs Thorn and Mendez.

CO Todd Thorn questioned a young man who had purchased too many firearm deer licenses. The man produced the unused tags and stated that he was not aware there was a limit of one firearm deer tag. The subject stated he did not have any success deer hunting, and a verbal warning was issued.

COs Damon Owens and Todd Thorn patrolled along the Grand River in Grand Ledge and Lansing with dirt bikes. They were able to access a large number of secluded fishing spots and checked anglers along the river attempting to take steelhead. One subject who had two warrants was arrested along the river by the COs and transferred to the Ingham County jail.

CO Brian Fish was watching a portion of the Kalamazoo River known for pike fishing when he observed an angler using a large spinner bait catch a medium sized northern pike and return it to the water. CO Fish contacted the angler because of the preseason fishing and determined the angler did not have a valid fishing license. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Kyle Bader responded to a trespass complaint in Lenawee County. The subjects left evidence from the complainant's property to their residence, and when CO Bader conducted interviews, both admitted to trespassing. One subject admitted to shooting a Canada goose with a .22 that the complainant located floating in the River Raisin. Charges are being sought through the Lenawee County prosecutor's office.

CO Kyle Bader responded to the location of a large cloud of black smoke and found a fire spanning at least 25 feet across. When CO Bader asked the subject who was tending the fire what he was burning, the subject said "I got tired of looking at that pile of garbage out my window so I lit it up." Items in the fire included a couch, a television, a mattress and other furniture. Enforcement action was taken for the illegal burn.

DISTRICT 9

CO Linda Scheidler received a complaint of a walleye angler in a camouflage coat, sitting on a bucket. CO Scheidler responded and located the subject. The subject was in possession of a black plastic garbage bag with four walleye in it. The subject said he lost a bet with a friend that he could fish for walleye and not get caught by the DNR. Enforcement action was taken.

While checking walleye anglers on the Flint River, CO Al Schwiderson checked a handful of boats behind the Montrose Orchards. CO Schwiderson contacted occupants of one vessel and found the subjects on board were in possession of four walleye. One subject claimed that he had caught all of the walleyes himself. Enforcement action was taken.

While checking anglers at the Holloway Dam, CO Linda Scheidler observed a subject casting a fishing line out into the River. When CO Scheidler approached the subject he did not cast again, quickly reeled in the line and started walking toward his vehicle. CO Scheidler stopped the angler and asked him what was going on. CO Scheidler could see the subject had an artificial lure on the line (rubber worm with hook). The subject stated he had been fishing for crappie. CO Scheidler explained to the angler the tackle closure and issued a ticket for fishing with artificial lures during the closed season.

CO Todd Szyska attended a bench trial on a subject that he and CO Kris Kiel caught shooting and killing a Canada goose out of season and without licenses in the City of Mt. Clemens. The subject accepted a plea bargain and pled guilty to shooting the goose without a Federal hunting license and transportation of the bird without proper tagging requirements. The subject was ordered to pay \$300 reimbursement for the Canada goose, \$30 in conservation fees, and had his air rifle condemned.

CO Mark Ennett observed a group of four anglers at the Lake Erie warm water discharge of the Consumers Energy plant. Only one angler appeared to handle the five rods that were in the water. The subject who handled the poles was the one person in the group who did not have a current fishing license. The other three all had valid licenses, but did not touch a pole during the entire observation period. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Mark Ennett was patrolling at a popular ORV scramble area and observed a pair of machines enter the area from a local road and onto the railroad right-of-way. The pair turned out to be an 11 year old on an ORV and a 12 year old on a dirt bike. They said they were going riding at a nearby "park", a term they apparently were using to describe the power lines. CO Ennett escorted the pair back to their starting point, their grandparents' house. The grandmother took responsibility for the pair and CO Ennett explained the eight violations involved. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Mark Ennett checked a pair of anglers along the Huron River shoreline in South Rockwood. They had a Northern pike on a stringer and neither one had a valid fishing license. One of them took responsibility for the pike; however, he did not have any identification and originally gave CO Ennett a name and date of birth that came back no record. Local police officers arrived on scene and it was quickly determined that the false name and date of birth were given due to his being wanted on a warrant and he was also a parole absconder. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Lacelle Rabon was on patrol when he observed an abandoned Bayliner watercraft that still had its registration decals attached. A check of the registration revealed the identity of the registered owner. CO Rabon went to the given address and talked to the owner's wife. She acknowledged their ownership of the watercraft and was informed the vessel would have to be removed or they would be ticketed for littering. She assured CO Rabon the watercraft would be removed.

CO Brandon Kieft and Intern Ryan Cook were checking anglers along the Huron River in an area restricted to fly fishing only. As they approached one angler, he snapped his line on purpose and claimed to have hit a snag in the river. When he was presented with his lure that was found in the weeds nearby he eventually confessed to the violation. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Brandon Kieft interviewed a subject who was suspected of dumping construction materials and other trash on state land. The DNR Parks Division had located an address on some of the materials that were dumped and turned it over to CO Kieft.

While interviewing the male subject it was determined that he had paid his contractor \$100 extra to properly dispose of the materials. In an attempt to make another \$100, the contractor decided to dump the trash on state land in the Bald Mountain Recreation Area. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Brandon Kieft was checking the Horseshoe Lake SGA in Oxford when he heard ORVs operating on the property. CO Kieft was able to contact the subjects who were operating without ORV licenses in a closed area of state land. Enforcement action was taken.